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Office Action Summary

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 03 December 2003.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-23 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-23 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 23 December 2003 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
- ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 - ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 - ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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DETAILED ACTION

Information Disclosure Statement

1. The information disclosure statement (IDS) submitted on 12/03/03 has been considered by the examiner.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

2. Claims 1-3, 8-11, 16-18, 20-23 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as anticipated by Letterio (US 6,442,878).

Letterio teaches a display device for receiving a notice or the like with a portion of the notice when positioned in a pocket chamber extending outwardly therefrom for ease removal comprising:

front (26) and back (28) panels;

the front and back panels each having front and back sides and upper and lower portions;

the front and back panels being substantially the same dimensions with the front panel positional over and co-extensional with the back panel and connectable thereto;

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the front and back panels having bottom, left and right side edges, which when positioned coextensively, are interconnected and form a pocket chamber;

the front panel having a slit (24) on the upper portion extendable into the pocket chamber and adjacent the front panel left and right side edges and serving as an opening into the pocket chamber for a notice to be easily inserted therein when the front and back panels are interconnected;

at least one of said panels lower portion including a notice stop (32) for limiting the depth of insertion of a notice;

the front and back panels are integral and joined by a fold line (50) forming the right edges of the front and back panels;

the panels include indicia (42) information;

Letterio does not teach the slit is U-shaped.

It would require only routine skill in the art to shape the slit into "U" shapes with upwardly or outwardly extending or curved legs to accommodate various sized notices.

3. Claim 19 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103 ^{being obvious over} as anticipated by Letterio (US 6,442,878) in view of Paulos (5,797,204).

Letterio teaches the claimed invention except a glue stop.

Paulos teaches a calendar organizing system that uses glue stops (60,62) between front and back panels to limit the depth of the insertion of a notice.

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It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to modify the display device of Letterio to include the use of glue stops, as taught by Paulos, to limit the depth of the insertion of a notice.

4. Claims 4 and 12 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. ^{103 as being obvious over} ~~102(b) as anticipated by~~ Letterio (US 6,442,878) in view of Blanchard (US 4,275,517).

Letterio teaches the claimed invention except foldable flap.

Blanchard teaches a display mount including wherein one of a pair of panels is provided with a foldable flap (70) to provide a display device which requires a minimum amount of assembly effort.

It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to modify the display device of Letterio, to include wherein one of a pair of panels is provided with a foldable flap, as taught by Blanchard, to provide a display device which requires a minimum amount of assembly effort.

5. Claims 5-7 and 13-15 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. ^{103 being obvious over} ~~102(b) as anticipated by~~ Letterio (US 6,442,878) in view of Huber (US 6,161,321)

Letterio teaches the claimed invention except upwardly extending tabs.

Huber teaches a posting device which includes wherein at least one of the panels has an upwardly extending tab for receiving a wall hanger to allow posting of the display without damaging the wall or support.

It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to modify the display device of Letterio, to include at least one of

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the panels having an upwardly extending tab for receiving a wall hanger, as taught by Huber, to allow posting of the display without damaging the wall or support.

It would require only routine skill in the art to include tabs extending from both panels.

Conclusion

6. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure. Howard teaches a savings bank. Winford teaches a calendar. Carver teaches a card mount. Semple teaches an aperture card. Christensen teaches a calendar. Williams teaches a mouse pad. Rohloff teaches a card calendar. Quinn teaches a calendar. Byrnes et al. teaches a presentation pocket.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Paul Royal whose telephone number is 703-308-8570. The examiner can normally be reached on 8:30-4:30.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Lesley D. Morris can be reached on 703-308-0629. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.


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